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09/533,325

Title: SYSTEM, METHOD AND PROGRAM PRODUCT FOR AUTOMATICALLY MANAGING CONTRACTS

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SUBTOTAL FROM ABOVE					\$ 0.00
TOTAL CLAIMS	22	20	2	× 18 =	36.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	3	3	0	× 84 =	
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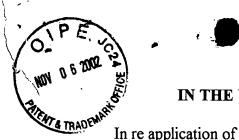
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

On July 31, 2002, the Examiner mailed an Office Action (paper 8) for the above-identified application. Claims 1-20 are pending in the application, and all claims were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as unpatentable over Minder (USPN 6144943) in view of Gundewar (USPN 6381610) and further in view of Leymann (USPN 6122633). Reconsideration of the rejections in light of the remarks and amendments below is respectfully requested.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add new claims 21-22 and amend claims 1, 5, 12, and 16 so that pending claims 1-22 read as follows (a marked-up version of amended claims is attached on separate sheets):

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